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Our Case No.: 7948/16

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

L. Biedermann et al.

Serial No.: 10/660,452

Filing Date: September 11, 2003

For: INTERVERTEBRAL DISK  
PROSTHESIS

Examiner: Unknown

Group Art Unit No.: 3731

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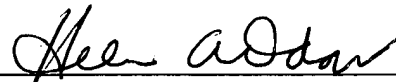
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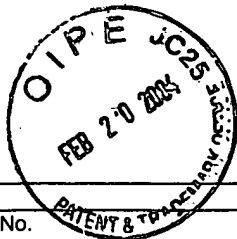
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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is Transmittal Letter (in duplicate); Associate Power of Attorney.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☐ Petition for a \_\_\_\_\_ month extension of time.
- ☐ No additional fee is required.
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